LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

NINTH DAY.

Monday, 29th January 1951.

The Assembly met in the Assembly Hall, Old Public Offices, Bangalore, at Five Minutes past One of the Clock.

Mr. Speaker (The Hon'ble Sri V. Venkatappa) in the Chair.

STARRED QUESTIONS

(to which oral answers were given).

Mr. SPEAKER (The Hon'ble Sri V. Venkatappa).—Questions will be taken up only for half an hour to-day. Question No. 143. Sri M. Muniswamy.

Arrangements for distribution of jaggery after enforcement of control.

*Q.—143. **Sri M. MUNISWAMY** (Kolar District—Depressed Class).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

the arrangements made by them for proper distribution of jaggery after enforcement of control over it ?

*A.—**The Hon'ble Sri T. MARIAPPA** (Home Minister).—Jaggery is not handled or distributed on Government account. But available stocks are arranged to be kept wherever possible in Co-operative Societies for being made available to the public.

Sri M. MUNISWAMY.—What is the reason for the non-availability of jaggery after enforcement of control ?

The Hon'ble Sri T. MARIAPPA.—When the ceiling price was fixed, information with the Government is that part of the stock went underground.

Sri M. MUNISWAMY.—Are the Government satisfied that jaggery allotted to different merchants has been sold away ?

The Hon'ble Sri T. MARIAPPA.—The ceiling prices have been fixed and there is no question of allotment by Government because we are not handling any jaggery by ourselves. The only condition for selling jaggery is that it should be sold within the ceiling limit.

Sri M. MUNISWAMY.—I could give many cases where jaggery is sold in black market at Kolar Gold Fields.

The Hon'ble Sri T. MARIAPPA.—We are not aware that it is sold in black market. We can only be aware of the sale of jaggery in white market.

Sri V. M. MASCARENHAS (Retroceded Area—General) —Am I to understand that the Government of India fixed the ceiling prices without consulting the Government of Mysore ?

The Hon'ble Sri T. MARIAPPA.—Yes, we were not.

Sri V. M. MASCARENHAS.—If so, was there a justification for bringing this price control into force in this State until proper precautions were taken for introducing the control ?

The Hon'ble Sri T. MARIAPPA.—The law made by the Parliament is applicable to all units of India.

Sri V. M. MASCARENHAS —But in view of the difficulties that would be caused to the citizens of the State, was the Central Government justified in passing the law without consulting the local State ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—Where is the need for such consultation ?

Sri V. M. MASCARENHAS.—I mean the hardship to the public should have been taken into consideration before such a control was introduced.

(No answer)

ಶ್ರೀ ಜಿ. ವೀರಪ್ಪನವರು (ಚಿತ್ರದುರ್ಗ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ).—ಮೈಸೂರು ಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಎಷ್ಟು ಬೆಲ್ಲ ಉಪಯೋಗಿಸುತ್ತಾರೋ ಅಷ್ಟು ಉತ್ಪತ್ತಿ ಇದೆಯೇ ?

ಮಾನ್ಯ ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಮರಿಯಪ್ಪನವರು.—ನೋಟೀಸ್.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಎಂ. ಶ್ಯಾಮಣ್ಣ ಗೌಡರು (ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಪಶ್ಚಿಮ).—On a point of information, Sir. ಪಾರ್ಲಿಮೆಂಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದು ದೇಶಕ್ಕೆಲ್ಲಾ ಅನ್ವಯಿಸುತ್ತದೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದರು. ಆ ವಿಷಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಹೀಗೆ ಮಾಡಿದರೆ ತೊಂದರೆ ಎಂಬುದನ್ನು ಅವರ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ತರಲು ಅವಕಾಶವಿರಲಿಲ್ಲವೇ?

ಮಾನ್ಯ ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಮರಿಯಪ್ಪನವರು.—ದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಆದರಿಂದ ಉಂಟಾಗತಕ್ಕ ತೊಂದರೆಯನ್ನು ಅವರ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ತಂದೆವು. ಮುಂಚೆ ಅವರು ಸೀಲಿಂಗ್ ಲಿಮಿಟ್ 24 ರೂ. ನಂತೆ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದರು ಆ ಮೇರೆ 21 ರೂಪಾಯಿ ಮಾಡಿದರು.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Next question, Sri G. Veerappa.

Appointment of Adviser for Irrigation Works.

*Q.—135. Sri G. VEERAPPA (Chitaldrug District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether there is a Chief Engineer in charge of Irrigation Department in the State;

(b) whether they have appointed another officer (Sri Narasinga Rao) as Adviser for Irrigation Works;

(c) the necessity for such an appointment?

A.—The Hon'ble Sri T. MARIAPPA (Home Minister).—

(a) There is only one Chief Engineer for Irrigation and Deputy Chief Engineer for Roads and Buildings in the State now.

(b) Yes, for major irrigation works including K. R. S.

(c) A copy of the Government Order explaining the necessity for the appointment of an Adviser is appended below:—

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE.

GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.

G.O. No. 13466-13565—C.B. 325-50-1, dated 27th December 1950.

Adviser.

Sanctions the appointment of the——in charge of the Major Irrigation Works including Krishnaraja Sagara.

READ—

Government Order No. 2793-2892—C.B. 93-49-1, dated the 27th September 1949, ordering the re-organisation of the Public Works Department and *inter alia* sanctioning the post of the Special Chief Engineer.

2. Government Order No. P. W. 2649-53, dated 26th June 1950, adopting the programme of work regarding the capital irrigation works on hand in the State drawn up by the Committee constituted for the purpose.

Order No. 13466-13565—C. B 325-50-1, dated Bangalore, the 27th December 1950.

Under the re-organisation of the Public Works Department sanctioned in Order dated 27th September 1949 read above, the Special Chief Engineer is in charge of capital irrigation works and problems relating to river valley agreements and will function as Secretary to Government, Public Works Department. On the advice of the Government of India, the Special Chief Engineer is also entrusted with the drawing up of plans connected with the Grow More Food Scheme.

At present, it is pre-eminently desirable to bring urgently the major irrigation works on hand, namely, Lakkavalli, Tunga and Nugu to certain stages as recommended by the Committee which was constituted to finalise the programme of work regarding these development works. The recommendations of the Planning and Policy Committee on major irrigation works including Vani Vilas Sagar and the far reaching recommendations of the Special Committee on the Krishnaraja Sagara Reservoir in the matter of preventing wastage of water from the reservoir by regulating properly the storage and distribution under a defined system of zonal cultivation and developing irrigation to the maximum extent under the reservoir and regarding the conservation and utilisation of water in the Cauvery Valley, are also to be implemented immediately.

The Planning Commission, Government of India, have since advised on the urgent necessity of drawing up a six-year plan for development of irrigation in the State and some of the problems regarding the agreements between Mysore and Madras regarding the utilisation of river waters have to be tackled urgently.

It is desirable to have a wholetime officer possessing high technical knowledge and mature experience in the line as Adviser in charge of major irrigation works including Krishnaraja Sagara Reservoir in order to implement the recommendations of the various bodies and to tackle the problems that have become urgent and paramount in the present context as indicated above in place of the Special Chief Engineer which appointment is abolished with effect from 13th January 1951. An Officer of the rank of the Chief Engineer may function as Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.

Orders regarding the appointment of the Adviser in charge of the Major Irrigation Works including Krishnaraja Sagara Reservoir will issue separately, and the staff which is assisting the Special Chief Engineer in the special works at present will continue to work under the Adviser for Major Irrigation Works including Krishnaraja Sagara Reservoir.

The Adviser in charge of the Major Irrigation Works including Krishnaraja Sagara Reservoir will on assumption of charge draw up a detailed allocation of work and submit proposals for the organisation of the Office of the Adviser in consultation with the Chief Engineer for the orders of Government.

K. SRINIVASAN,
Chief Secretary to Government.